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Senate Concurrent Resolution 15

Sponsored by Senators STEINER HAYWARD, JOHNSON, Representative SMITH; Senators BAERTSCHIGER JR, BATES, BURDICK, DEVLIN, EDWARDS, FERRIOLI, GEORGE, GIROD, KNOPP, KRUSE, MONNES ANDERSON, OLSEN, ROBLAN, ROSENBAUM, SHIELDS, THOMSEN, WHITSETT, WINTERS, Representatives GOMBERG, WHITSETT

Whereas Oregon is a state with vast areas in which it is difficult to obtain medical care; and

Whereas Oregon is served by nearly 100 general aviation airports; and

Whereas the Oregon Wing of Angel Flight West provides air transportation throughout this state free of charge for medical and other compelling reasons; and

Whereas the command pilots of the Oregon Wing of Angel Flight West donate their flying skills, aircraft and all associated costs, and in 2012 flew more than 200 missions; and

Whereas the missions of the Oregon Wing of Angel Flight West include transporting the people of Oregon, including veterans, to locations where they can receive medical care, transporting family members to visit loved ones receiving medical care, transporting Armed Forces personnel returning home from combat, transporting human organs and tissues for transplant, transporting youth to special needs camps and transporting service animals; and

Whereas Earth Angel volunteers from the Lions Club of Oregon partnered with the Oregon Wing of Angel Flight West to provide connecting ground transportation for 65 missions in 2012; and

Whereas the volunteer mission coordinator for the Oregon Wing of Angel Flight West has worked diligently to ensure that command pilots are provided with all necessary information to ensure that the missions are conducted efficiently; and

Whereas outreach volunteers with the Oregon Wing of Angel Flight West contacted more than 70 social and medical services organizations in 2012 to ensure that those in need are aware of the services provided by Angel Flight West; and

Whereas the media relations coordinator of the Oregon Wing of Angel Flight West has worked with many Oregon regional media outlets to ensure that those in need are aware of the services provided by Angel Flight West; and

Whereas volunteers providing recruitment, orientation and mentoring services for the Oregon Wing of Angel Flight West successfully qualified 22 pilots in 2012 to serve as command pilots; and

Whereas the Oregon Wing of Angel Flight West was honored by the Office of Rural Health with the 2012 Oregon Rural Health Hero of the Year Award; now, therefore,

Be It Resolved by the Legislative Assembly of the State of Oregon:

That we, the members of the Seventy-seventh Legislative Assembly, honor the pilots and volunteers of the Oregon Wing of Angel Flight West for their invaluable service to the people of this state.

Adopted by Senate April 18, 2013

Robert Taylor, Secretary of Senate

Peter Courtney, President of Senate

Adopted by House May 28, 2013

Tina Kotek, Speaker of House